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Ten Arrested In Raid On Liquor Still

MADISON, Miss.—Hinds County constables of the first and fourth districts captured a whiskey still Saturday afternoon and jailed ten men found in the woods in northern Hinds County at the Madison County line.

The two constables, Bob Latimer and Virgil Downing, said the still had a 400-gallon capacity with that much whiskey mash in the process of manufacture.

They found Dave McDavid and Arthur Lee Johnson attending the still and while waiting picked up three more boys approaching the still with empty gallon jugs.

Learning they were sent to purchase liquor, they returned with the captives to a house where they found Robert Odie in a car with two gallons between his legs. The car belonged to Jesse Bracey and he was also charged with possession when five gallons were found in the trunk of the automobile.

Another man escaped when he saw the officers approaching the house, which was occupied by Ira Henderson. The confiscated automobile and the Negroes were carried to the Hinds County jail where they face possible federal charges besides the state complaints.

Mother Of Well Known Railroad Man Passes

Funeral services were held Friday, September 13th, for Mrs. Ellen Watts, the mother of Mr. V. B. Watts, 310 Clifton Street, in Raymond, with Rev. E. A. Scott, officiating.

Mrs. Watts had been confined to bed for more than a year, but death came as a severe shock to her many friends.

She is survived by two sons, Mr. V. B. Watts, and Mr. Lee Watts of Natchez; one daughter, Mrs. Adie Watts of New Orleans; two sisters and one brother, several grandchildren and a host of other friends.

Mrs. Watts was one of Raymond's oldest and pioneer citizens. She was highly esteemed by the entire community. Funeral arrangements were conducted by the People's Funeral Home.

Some of the friends of the family from Jackson who attended the funeral were: Dr. and Mrs. J. S. Parker, Mrs. S. M. Brinkley, Mrs. Geneva Jones, Mr. Ollie Patterson, Mrs. M. Catherine Garrett and Mrs. Beatrice T. Browder.

Two Men Charged With Arson For Burning Auto

William D. King and John Henry Sutton have been indicted on charges of arson, according to announcement here from the office of John Sharp Williams, III, state fire marshal.

The men are charged with the illegal burning of a 1940 Chrysler in Quitman County in September, 1940. Trial is set for call on Monday, September 16, and actual trial will follow later in the term of court. Investigation was made in the case by Deputy Fire Marshal R. L. Ferguson.

Expect New Evidence From Plaintiff

JACKSON, Miss.—The \$10,000 slander and libel suit filed by Mrs. Annie L. Mhoon, wife of the well-known Jackson lawyer, W. L. Mhoon against Dr. A. H. McCoy, one of Jackson's outstanding successful business and professional men, and socially prominent throughout the state, which was tried here some months ago, resulting in a decision in favor of Dr. McCoy, will be tried new here on Wednesday, September 17.

The case which grew out of a published denial by Dr. McCoy of rumors to the effect that "the reason he would not marry here was because he was already married, and had a living wife and child" was the first case of its kind in the history of the state, and on the previous trial, brought to the witness stand, and to the spectator

Attorney-General's Office To Get Peonage Case

PRESIDENT MOVES TO ERASE INEQUALITIES FROM FEDERAL CIVIL SERVICE EMPLOYMENT

Methodists Close Inspiring Session

By J. D. McGHEE

Dedication of "Kings Cott," the Episcopal residence for the Atlantic Coast Area, was the highlight feature of events culminating the close of a momentous 4-day session at the Area Council of the Atlantic Coast Area, Central Jurisdiction, Methodist Church, which convened at Central Methodist church here, Rev. E. W. McMillan, entertaining pastor.

More than 800 delegates registered and a thousand other visiting Methodists from four states of the area, Georgia, Alabama, Florida and South Carolina.

The new program of the church in all its different phases of activities was discussed in four assigned commission meetings of district superintendents, pastors, women and laymen. Reports at the closing session on Friday by commission leaders showed much information about the program of the new Methodist Church had been disseminated.

Momentous planning by the Area Council of the Atlantic Coast Area and farflung proposals for larger participation by members of the area council present were some of the outstanding features of the council meeting.

A handshake by two bishops, Dr. Lorenzo H. King, Methodist Church, and Dr. William A. Fountain, AMF Church, set the largest area council ever held in the history of Methodism into a well cooperating organization. Both bishops pledged their influence and efforts toward a complete reunion of all churches.

At the symposium of college presidents on Thursday night, challenging addresses were delivered by Dr. B. E. Mays, Morehouse College; Mrs. Mary McLeod Bethune, Bethune-Cookman College; W. A. Fountain, Jr., Morris Brown College and E. C. Peters, Paine College.

On Thursday the general Boards of the New Methodist church warned by the Area Council of the Atlantic Coast area that the Central Jurisdiction of the newly merged church must be reckoned with the same as the other jurisdictions of the great Methodist Church.

The warning came as a result of the awakening response by the 800 delegates here to study and become informed about the program of the new Methodist Church.

A drive was launched by Bishop Lorenzo King for the purpose of raising funds to retire and pension pastors and church workers of the Atlantic Coast area. It will be known as "Gold Seal Drive."

Dr. Mary McLeod Bethune, out-

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Mississippi Boy Enters St. Emma Military School

PASCAGOULA, Miss.—Among the students arriving this week at the St. Emma Military School, Rock Castle, Virginia, for the opening of the Fall term, is Walter Marial, of 785 Pascagoula Street.

In addition to his academic studies, Marial is entered in the Auto Mechanics department of the Trade School. St. Emma provides military training under the direction of an officer of the United States Army.

Chinese Official Heard By Business, Professional Women

Sunday afternoon, September 5, at 4 p. m., the members of the Business and Professional Women's Club met at the William Johnson Community Center, and had as their guest speaker, Miss Keng Li, a national secretary and representative of China who has been attending Oregon State College.

Miss Li spoke of conditions in China, and how the war has affected them; and the plans of rebuilding a modern China after the war; and especially did she emphasize the part that women are playing in National affairs of China. She also sang a few of her native songs.

Miss Li was attired in native costume.

After the close of the meeting, the members of the club went to the home of the president, Mrs. Hilda Gilmore, where further business was discussed and a refreshing ice course was served.

Dr. D. R. Patterson Alcorn Speaker

ALCORN, Miss.—Activities for the 72nd academic session will get under way Thursday 11th when more than 200 freshmen are expected to enroll time enough to participate in the Freshman Week Program, including such tests as "Good Manners" in the library, "Living Hall, on the street and in the home; Musical Detection, Physical Examinations; Lecturers; and social and athletic activities. Old students will register Monday, 15.

For the edification of the personnel, a Faculty Institute will be held from the 10th to 14th, during which period Dr. D. R. Patterson, director of Instruction, State Department of Education, will address the teachers on "The Place of the Teacher in the Evolving Pattern of Community Centered Education." Instruction begins on the 17.

On Saturday, the 27th, a football game between the "Braves" and Bishop College will end the major activities on the campus for September.

Says One Good Baptist To Another—



Dr. L. A. Pinkston (right), of Augusta, president of the General Missionary Baptist Convention of Georgia, grabbed the hand of Dr. J. W. Drake, Miami, Florida, minister and moderator of Florida East Coast Baptist Association, when the Miami arrived in Atlanta Monday night on a special train with a large delegation of Florida Baptists. A large crowd of Atlantans and Georgians boarded the train which arrived Tuesday afternoon in Cleveland, Ohio, where the National Baptist Convention, Inc., got underway Wednesday. The two ministers are in charge of their respective delegations. (SNS Photo by Mackay).

Peonage Case To Go To Capital

CHICAGO. —(ANP)—It is the contention of Atty. William Henry Huff, of the Abolish Peonage committee, that the attorney-general's office can take steps toward the prosecution of William Tolley Cunningham and Hamilton McWhorter, Oglethorpe county, Georgia, peonage defendants.

In his opinion, the ruling of Georgia's federal court can be set aside in bringing to trial these two men who are guilty of seeking to place Negroes under conditions of slavery and peonage.

Reviewing the case, he cites instances where Sheriff Ed Watkins of Lexington, Georgia outstepped his jurisdiction in arresting Otis and Dock Woods, Solomon McCon-

non and Peter Ed Raines in Chicago, without going through due processes of law to obtain their extradition.

He said that Cunningham had disregarded Gov. Henry Horner's refusal to extradite the men in seeking to arrest and return the men to Georgia for trial. He brought to light the fact that warrants had been issued for the arrest of the Woods and McCannons, but none had been taken out on Raines, who was a private in the U. S. army at the time when extradition proceedings failed.

With Judge Deaver's refusal to order Cunningham and McWhorter to Chicago for trial, Atty. Huff plans to place the matter before the

attorney general with a view toward obtaining the ruling from a higher court.

Royal Farewell Greeting



His Royal Highness the Governor of the Bahamas (formerly Edward, Prince of Wales), poses with two colored aviators who have just flown to England to join the Royal Air Force as cadets. On the left is Edward Isaacs, well-known in the United States for his tennis playing. He competed in the National Tennis Tournament at Tuskegee and at Hampton. On the right is Constable W. A. Jordan, member of the Nassau constabulary. The men received "Godspeed" from the governor. —(ANP Photo)

Assurance Of Fairness Aimed

WASHINGTON—(ANP)—President Roosevelt went further in his attempt to give Negroes a fair opportunity to participate in defense efforts when he issued a statement Friday addressed to government departments calling upon them to take steps to eliminate racial discrimination against Negroes. Mr. Roosevelt chose as his implement in the matter a letter addressed to Mark Ethridge, chairman of the Fair Employment Practice committee recently appointed. This committee which is established in the Office of Production Management, the overall defense authority, was named to investigate complaints of race discrimination in defense industries or in government.

On June 26th the President had addressed an executive order to defense industries calling upon them to make full use of all the man and woman power available in the nation and calling attention particularly to the fact that Negro workers were being overlooked in opportunities for defense work. His letter Friday was supplementary, it having been called to his attention that many federal departments where it might have been supposed that all citizens received similar treatment were as biased and unfair in their attitude toward Negro workers as were many private industries.

The President's letter said: "It has come to my attention that there is in the federal establishment a lack of uniformity and possibly one lack of sympathetic attitude toward the problems of minority groups, particularly those relating to the employment and assignment of Negroes in the federal civil service."

"With a view to improving the situation, it is my desire that all

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Georgia Votes Divided Among Jemison, Nabrit

Dr. Pinkston
Leading State
Group to Ohio

SAVANNAH, Ga. — (SNS)—The "National Baptist Convention" special of fourteen cars, bearing more than 400 ministers, their wives, and lay delegates, pulled out of the Union Station shortly after eight o'clock Monday night headed for the Cleveland session.

The train, which was made up by the Louisville and Nashville railroad, to carry the Georgia-Florida delegation, was delayed about thirty-five minutes, awaiting the arrival of the Florida contingent.

The Georgia delegation is headed by Dr. L. A. Pinkston of Augusta, president of the General Mis-

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Committee Of 100 Makes Appeal To Qualified Electors

President J. E. Johnson, chairman of the Committee of One Hundred makes the following appeal to co-workers:

You are aware of the fact that there is to be held on September 23, a state-wide special election to fill the vacancy in the United States Senate made by the passing of Senator Pat Harrison.

In this election, all qualified electors may participate, regardless of color. This letter is to call your attention to this fact, and urge you to simply pass the word around to the men and women of our group who have prepared for this emergency and opportunity. They do not need to be told how to vote. Fortunately, those who are qualified, as a rule, represent the most intelligent and substantial of the Negro citizens of Mississippi, and are fully able to make a choice in the race.

In keeping with the resolution passed by the annual meeting of the committee, in the exercise of this right to have a voice in the selection of the man who is to represent us in the Senate of the United States, let us see to it that nothing is said or done that will warrant criticism or bring reflection on us.